



WEDNESDAY MORNING, APRIL 5, 1865.

The Climax of Despotism.

The Ruffian's Journal, of last week, contained the following announcement:

The Sentences.

We are informed that the sentences have been published in the following cases, tried before the Military Commission at Harrisburg:

"Samuel Lamsberry fined \$1000, and two years imprisonment in Fort Mifflin. Jacob Wilhelm fined \$500, and two years imprisonment at Fort Mifflin. Patrick Curley, \$500 fine, and one year imprisonment. This has been committed to one month imprisonment—from the 21st March to the 21st April."

We have since heard it rumored that Gainer P. Bloom, Esq., received a sentence similar to that inflicted upon Major Wilhelm, but cannot vouch for the fact.

The charges against these men, as contained in the several "specifications," are for "entering into, confederating and assisting in forming combinations to resist the execution of certain provisions of an Act of Congress, approved the 3d day of March, 1863."

In our paper of the 22d ult., we published the only section of the Act above referred to relating to penalties for violating its provisions. By reference to the said section the reader will see that such persons are required to be handed over to the civil courts. It is not left to the option, or discretion, of the military making such arrests; but it is mandatory.

We have nowhere seen that these proceedings are sanctioned by any one not in authority, or disconnected with their execution. It is even whispered—perhaps only with the hope of screening their guilt—that those highest in authority at Washington profess entire ignorance of the fact that such outrages are being committed, and that all such wrongs are loudly condemned by them.

[From the Lancaster Intelligencer.] The Depletion of Our Population. In many of the poorer and more sparsely settled rural districts of this State the present merciless conscription is being most severely felt.

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Mr. Lincoln should lose no time—not in pardoning these men and restoring them to liberty, for that would be sanctioning the violation of the law—but in setting the proceedings aside, as unwarranted in law and dangerous to public liberty; and Congress should lose no time, at its next session, in indemnifying each one of these "victims" of party spite, and personal malvolence, to the uttermost farthing.

nified his intention of joining the Abolition party, and fell to abusing Democrats, which Mr. Bloom, and all the others, refused to do? If this is not the reason, pray, then, what was it? Will any body tell?

A very pretty contest is going on between the editors of the Erie Dispatch and the Elk county Advocate. The former imagines that Erie county embraces the whole of the 19th Congressional district—which is logical enough with all those who think that Democrats have no rights which the present Administration ought to respect—and wants the headquarters of the Provost Marshal removed to Erie city; while the latter contends valourously for its remaining at Ridgway.

What a sore-headed, sour-stomached, snarling-tempered, cross-grained and ill-humored creature he of the Bellefonte Press must be. Because Gov. CURTIN successfully demanded the release from Lincoln's Bastille of Mr. MEEX, the editor of the Bellefonte Watchman, the Press threatens the Governor with annihilation! And because our old friend, GEORGE GRAVES, Esq. (to whom we claim the credit of pointing out the "holes" where to find the "speckled beauties" of Spring creek the plaintiff and biggest, some thirty years ago, and an ardent Republican withal) presented the aforesaid MEEX with a handsome string of fresh fish, on his return from "durance vile," the Press editor growls like a bear with a sore head.

SENATOR WALLACE.—The Chambersburg Repository, edited by Col. McCLECKE, a member of the late Legislature and one of the ablest men of the Abolition party of this State, thus speaks of Senator WALLACE:

"Wallace, of the 23d district, will be re-elected, and, since a Democrat, must be chosen, we shall not regret his success. He is an able, fair and useful Senator."

From this it would seem that Col. McClure's opinion slightly differs with that of the Hevian organs here and at Harrisburg.

This dynasty has laid a heavy hand on our flourishing county. Before this administration got their claws on our people, there were few communities that were more flourishing than Cambria county. Contentment, competence and comfort were universally enjoyed, north, south, east and west.

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THE JENNINGS ESTATE.—The most of our readers have undoubtedly heard, at some time or other, that a large property in England, estimated at several million pounds sterling, known as the Jennings estate, has been claimed by the American heirs, descendants of the brother and sister of the English Jennings, the former of which settled in Virginia and the latter in New Hampshire.

THE COST OF THE WAR.—Hon. Samuel S. Cox, in a late speech in Congress stated that the appropriation bill for the last session amounted to at least \$300,000,000. In the last five sessions of Congress the appropriations have amounted to nearly \$4,000,000,000. The army alone has cost over \$3,000,000,000.

CHAINS AND SLAVERY.

Debt is slavery. The advocates of a "strong government" religiously believe in the efficacy of a huge national debt. It enables them to keep the masses at work for the benefit of the few—that is, to transfer the contents of the poor man's pockets into their own. No more ingenious plan could have been devised by the Puritanical pack which now governs this country, for the enslavement of the people, than is furnished by this infernal fraud.

This monstrous war, clearly undertaken for the enslavement of the "poor white trash," will end by entailing upon us a debt whose colossal proportions make us shudder when we contemplate the misery, the poverty, the rags, the chains and dungeons, that will naturally follow in its train.

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IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.—In order to show how seriously the American carrying trade has suffered during the war by reason of the ravages of the few insignificant cruisers, and to exhibit how futile have been the efforts of our large navy, under its present management, to protect American commerce on the Ocean, we take the following statement of imports and exports at the port of New York, for the years named, from the Journal of Commerce of the 29th inst.:

Table with columns: Year, Imports, Exports, Total. Shows data for years 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874.

There is no disputing this record, as it is compiled from official entries, and we have only to point to it to show why our vessels are rotting at the wharves or earning a precarious living in dodging the Confederate buccanniers, while foreign flags float over the great bulk of our commerce.

THE NEGRO BARRISTER.—We English have no particular objection to blacks; we should not think of rising from the board because a negro sat down among the miscellaneous guests of a table d'hôte; nor if a man's black blood was not unmistakably expressed in his face should we think of looking for it in his finger nails.

KIDNAPPING WHITE MEN.—Under the false plea that free negroes were sometimes carried into slavery, the States passed laws against kidnapping, of the most stringent character. Yet hundreds of men are thus victimized and the States takes no action, the press is silent, the police of one great city is blind.

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Peace Rumors.

In regard to the latest peace rumors, the Washington Chronicle of yesterday remarks: "The rumor which is retailed by the gossips of the town, of the meeting of President Lincoln and Gen. Grant, Sherman, Meade, Ord and Sheridan, on board the steamer River Queen, is undoubtedly correct; but we can assure our readers that the result of the conference is not known. The statement that Gen. Lee had asked for a conference with General Grant is entirely without foundation."

The Intelligencer has the following on the same subject: "The protracted absence of the President, at or near the seat of hostilities, is generally interpreted as a harbinger of an early pacific solution of the complications that civil war has precipitated, with all its woes."

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MARRIED.—On the 30th ult., by J. C. Barrott, Esq., Mr. O. H. Ribbigo and Miss Catharine Erick, all of Brady township.

DIED.—In Lawrence township, suddenly, of scarlet fever, on the 9th March, Carrie May, daughter of Richard and Horatio Shaw, aged two years and eight months. In Lawrence township, on the 30th ult., Elizabeth E., wife of David Woods, aged 25 years 11 months and 4 days.

NOTICE TO EVERYBODY. Two Weeks for the Sick and Wounded Soldiers. During the fortnight commencing April 25, we will devote 25 per cent. of all the retail sales at our counter, of

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